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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-933]

Certain Stainless Steel Products, Certain Processes for Manufacturing or Relating to Same and **Certain Products Containing Same**

Notice of Institution of Investigation

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on September 5, 2014, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, on behalf of Valbruna Slater Stainless, Inc. of Fort Wayne, Indiana; Valbruna Stainless Inc., of Fort Wayne, Indiana; and Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A. of Italy. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain stainless steel products, certain processes for manufacturing or relating to same and certain products containing same by reason of the misappropriation of trade secrets, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure an industry in the United States.

The complainants request that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, is available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Room 112, Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by

accessing its internet server at http://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-2560.

AUTHORITY: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10 (2014).

SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on October 6, 2014, **ORDERED THAT** –

- (1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(A) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, or in the sale of, certain stainless steel products, certain processes for manufacturing or relating to same and certain products containing same by reason of the misappropriation of trade secrets, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure an industry in the United States;
- (2) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:
 - (a) The complainants are:

Valbruna Slater Stainless, Inc.

2400 Taylor Street

Fort Wayne, IN 46802

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2400 Taylor Street

Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A.

Viale della Scienza 25

Vicenza 36100 Italy

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

Viraj Profiles Limited

10, Imperial Chambers, 1st Floor

Wilson Road, Ballard Estate

Mumbai 400038, India

Viraj Holdings P. Ltd.

78, Abdul Rehman Street

Chippi Chawl, Kalbadevi

Mumbai 400003, India

Viraj – U.S.A., Inc.

100 Quentin Roosevelt Boulevard, Suite 505

Garden City, NY 11530

Flanschenwerk Bebitz GmbH

Lebendorfer Straße 1

Könnern 06420, Germany

Bebitz Flanges Works Pvt. Ltd.

140/2 Saravalli Village, Palghar Road

Boisar Dist Thane

Maharashtra, India

Bebitz U.S.A.

100 Quentin Roosevelt Boulevard, Suite 505

Garden City, NY 11530

Ta Chen Stainless Pipe Co., Ltd.

No. 122, Yi-Lin Road, Rende Township, Tainan

71752, Taiwan

Ta Chen International, Inc.

5855 Obispo Avenue

Long Beach, CA 90805

- (c) The Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20436; and
- (3) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.13. Pursuant to 19 CFR 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the Commission of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this

notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations of the

complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the Commission, without

further notice to the respondent, to find the facts to be as alleged in the complaint and this notice and to

enter an initial determination and a final determination containing such findings, and may result in the

issuance of an exclusion order or a cease and desist order or both directed against the respondent.

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

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